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STEAMSHIP COMPANY TAKES INSURANCE OFF PORTLAND CARGOES IN ORDER TO EQUALIZE MATTERS WITH THE ASTORIA SHIPPERS.

The Chamber of Commerce has secured a statement from Vice-President and General Manager R. P. Schwerin, of the San Francisco and Portland Steamship Company, whereby Portland and Astoria will be on the same footing as regards the items of marine insurance.

Especially since the destruction of the steamship Columbia there has been more than usual dissatisfaction among Astoria merchants because the cargoes they had en route from San Francisco were total losses, whereas the cargoes en route on this steamship from San Francisco to Portland were being paid for in full by this steamship company.

The following resolution was passed by the Chamber of Commerce at the meeting held Monday night, August 19: "Whereas, the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company is now and has for a long time been discriminating against Astoria shippers in that shippers from Portland have their cargoes insured by said steamship company, while those from Astoria are not thus cared for, therefore, be it resolved, that requested to place Astoria on the same footing with Portland; and that if this request is not granted by said general manager, that relief be sought through the Oregon State Railroad Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission."

General Manager Schwerin has replied to the letter containing this resolution and has promised to place Astoria on the same footing as Portland after January 1st. He will do this by discontinuing the insurance of Portland cargoes and not by insurance of Astoria cargoes. While it would have been more agreeable to Astoria to have had a rectification of this grievance made by insuring Astoria cargoes the same as Portland cargoes were insured, yet it is better for the commercial interests of Astoria that this port be put on the same footing with Portland in the way Mr. Schwerin has promised, than that of the old way which makes a discrimination against Astoria and in favor of Portland.

Vice-President and General Manager Schwerin under date of September 20th has written to Manager Whyte of the Chamber of Commerce as follows:

"I regret very much that your letter to me bearing no date but embodying the resolutions of the Chamber of Commerce of Astoria passed on Monday night, August 19th, and received by me on August 24th and transmitted from this office to our attorneys, Messrs. Knight and Heggerty, on August 27th, should have lain dormant in their office until September 25th. I write this letter so that there may be no misunderstanding that there was any intention to act in the slightest degree discourteous to your Chamber of Commerce, and I must apologize for the lapse of our attorneys."

"In regard to the issue which you have raised setting forth that you consider it a discrimination between the ports of Portland and Astoria in view of the fact that cargoes destined to Portland and points beyond is covered by the open policy of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company and that destined to Astoria is not so covered, I have to advise you we do not consider any such discrimination takes place.

"Shipments to and from Astoria are regular marine risks and such shippers, as customary, cover their marine insurance upon their cargoes; shipments to Portland and points beyond have been considered in the past as railroad risk and therefore the steamship company applied what might be considered a railroad expense bill on shipments to and from Portland or points to and from beyond Portland. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has never assumed a marine risk on any goods destined to or from Tacoma and Seattle but only to and from points beyond Tacoma and Seattle. I know of no other steamship company that provides this class of insurance except the San Francisco & Portland Company but I may say that on the 1st of January, 1908, this company will withdraw the underwriting on any cargoes on its steamers except to points that are purely railroad connections of the steamship company; in other words, on what might be considered inter-line freight."

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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Marriage License—
 A marriage license was issued to Ralph H. Robbins, of Portland, and Marchine Bertrand, of Astoria

Divorce Granted—
 A decree of divorce, by default, was granted in the circuit court, yesterday, in the case of B. A. O. Adair vs. John Adair.

Death of Infant Child—
 Herbert M., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gell, of Cathlamet, died yesterday. Its age was one month and eight days. Interment will be at Cathlamet today.

Tug-o-War Challenge—
 Mr. Liback, captain of the Norwegian tug-o-war team called at the Astorian office yesterday and stated that he had come from Portland to challenge this Finnish team to a contest. He stated that his team were anxious to meet the Finns in about two weeks, and the only stipulations he would make were, that the teams would be composed of the same men as in the late tournament.

Raising Road Money—
 Manager Whyte of the Chamber of Commerce states that President Russell of the Portland Automobile Club has started out to collect \$13,000 in two weeks for the building of the automobile road through Columbia county to join the Clatsop county road with that through Multnomah county. Russell is confident that he can raise the amount in the specified time and that work on the project will commence immediately afterward.

Lamp Explosion—
 The explosion of a lamp in the residence of E. O'Connor, on Franklin avenue, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, adjoining Grace Church, was the cause of an alarm being turned in from box 9 at 7:30 last night. Hose No. 1 was first on the scene and laid a line of hose, but Chemical No. 1 being on hand immediately after, no water was thrown. Chief Foster threw out the lamp and ordered the chemical into action, soon had the fire extinguished.

In the Bishop's Carriage—
 This clever play was given last evening at the Astoria Theatre with Miss Jessie Busley in the title role. The company, as a whole, is not up to the standard of the company that produced the play here last season, still it is the best show that has held down the boards here for some time and the large house that greeted it goes to show that if first-class productions are played here they will receive proper support. However, a few poor shows will queer the house for the season. The company leaves this morning at 6:30 on a special to Goble, where it will connect with the N. P. train going north.

Final Account Approved—
 Frederick Balmer, administrator of the estate of Emil Baumer, deceased, filed his final account, and the county court ordered that the report be approved and on payment of amounts due the heirs at law, and production of receipts for same, the administration will be discharged and bondsmen exonerated.

Gray's River Fair—
 Gray's River Fair will be held during the coming Thursday and Friday, and on those days a large number of Astorians will cross the river to take part in the celebration. The ladies have secured a large supply of refreshments and merchants of this city are invited to hold social converse with their friends across the river. Thursday will be the big day for the Astoria contingent and a boat service for both days will be provided.

The Tale That Tells—Read it on the last page of this paper.

REID TO VISIT THE CHAMBER

RAILROAD PROMOTER WILL COME TO CITY AND IS TO BE ASKED TO ADDRESS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON CONSTRUCTION PLANS

While in Portland last week, Mr. Whyte, of the Chamber of Commerce, invited Mr. Reid to pay a visit to this city in order to have him come to an understanding with Astoria citizens about the plans of the Portland-Oregon & Seacoast Railroad. It is expected that he will be here during the latter part of the week, and an effort to have him speak before the Chamber of Commerce members will be made.

If this plan is carried out it will settle a number of doubts regarding the promoter's plans, and will undoubtedly make matters easier for him in the construction of the road. A heart-to-heart talk with Mr. Reid and the people of this city, which would be greatly benefited by such a road, is extremely desirable to a number of the leading citizens, in order that a better understanding may be arrived at than there is at present.

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WILBERG IS BEING TRIED

ROBERT WILBERG ON TRIAL FOR LARCENY—HARRISON ON STAND—TELLS STORY OF HIS UNDOING.

The circuit court opened yesterday's proceedings by calling the case of the State of Oregon vs. Robert Wilberg, charged with larceny. The jury which was not completed until 2:45 is composed of the following gentlemen: Percy E. Allen, J. W. Walker, Jas. Finlayson, Frank Cunningham, E. M. Grimes, John Svenson, Frank Brallier, L. Myllenbeck, Geo. E. Hills, M. Devereaux, A. C. Miller and Perry Titus.

Harrison was brought from the county jail and placed on the witness stand. He testified substantially as follows: On the 6th of March he was sent by the cashier of Skidmore & Co., of Portland, by whom he was employed as messenger, to their bank with money and checks amounting to about \$414. Of this amount \$300 was in gold, silver and currency, including a \$100 bill. He had been subject to epileptic fits, previously, and after leaving the store he had a queer feeling and was not aware of what he had done until he found himself on the train for Astoria. After arriving here he engaged rooms and started for the postoffice but found the windows closed. He next found himself in the saloon wherein he became acquainted with Wilberg. He spent some money there and remained until about 2:30. He went to his room accompanied by the defendant who there struck him in the face. They next went to a house he could not specify. Next morning he missed his money. Everything was gone and he complained to the landlord who, after he had told his story, ordered him to move. Objections of the counsel for the defense as to his sending for the chief of police, and what occurred were sustained by the court. He stated that he found \$17 in silver on his table with coin wrappers of Skidmore & Company in the sloop jar. He had a \$5 bill and 50 cents in silver when he left Portland in addition to Skidmore & Company's money. He remembered seeing the \$100 in the bank book.

His cross-examination by Attorney Fulton was very severe. During the cross-examination he admitted that when he reached Astoria he had a different suit of clothes on to that worn by him when in Portland, but did not know where he got it.

"Is it not a fact," asked Fulton, "that you had the bank book 15 minutes before your arrest?"

"I did not," answered the witness. Fulton asked him that if it was shown that he had changed a \$100 bill at the Waldorf would it not prove that he was

not robbed. District Attorney Hedges objected to the question and the court ruled that it was for the jury to determine the inference. Harrison was still on the stand when the court adjourned until this morning.

The Sale That Tells—Don't miss it.

 *** PERSONAL MENTION. ***

J. J. Crawford, well known in Svenson, was an arrival in Astoria, on Sunday, on a business trip.

James Kearney is in Astoria for a few days' visit with his parents.

Miss Ella Hare, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hare, is in Astoria, on a visit from Seattle.

Mrs. F. J. Carney and Miss Goodman have returned from a two weeks' visit to Portland.

Miss Leilah Gilbaugh, who has been visiting at Baker City, returned last night. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. Hansen, Miss Lois Lee and Mr. S. Rizer who will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbaugh for a few days.

Oswald West, state railroad commissioner, was in Astoria, on Sunday. He stated that if all the railroads in the state kept up their schedules as well as the A. & C. R. R. that no trouble would be had as to trains being on time.

The Tale That Tells—Did you read it?

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SIX DIE IN LAKE GALE.

Captain and Five Seamen Lost With Their Steamer.

SENEY, Mich., Sept. 30.—The steamer Alexander Nimick was caught in last night's northwestern gale on Lake Superior. She was driven ashore 13 miles west of Whitefish Point, a total wreck. The captain, named Randall, and five of his crew were drowned. Three of the bodies have been picked up on the beach. Efforts are being made to recover the three officers.

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